

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 853

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A RESOLUTION recognizing the creation of the Tennessee Intercollegiate Supreme Court and the Appellate Moot Court Collegiate Challenge.

WHEREAS, the 38th General Assembly of the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, in session at the State Capitol, voted to create a judicial branch to be called the Tennessee Intercollegiate Supreme Court (TISC); and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature Foundation is collaborating with the Tennessee Bar Association, the Tennessee Political Science Association, and officials of the Judicial Department of the State of Tennessee to create the Appellate Moot Court Collegiate Challenge (AMC3); and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly has given its support to the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature since its founding in 1966; and

WHEREAS, a democracy thrives when a balance of power exists among three co-equal branches of government and when its citizens better understand the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, active participation by college students in a realistic exercise based on the Tennessee Supreme Court will benefit the individuals who participate; and

WHEREAS, an active judicial branch will benefit the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature by enhancing the rule of law in its proceedings and by expanding its appreciation for the role of each branch of government; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature for the creation of the Tennessee Intercollegiate Supreme Court and offer our deepest hopes that the Court will render justice without impartiality or favor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we salute the creation of the Appellate Moot Court Collegiate Challenge, to be known as AMC3, and encourage all participants to do their utmost to provide the highest quality learning experience for the students who participate in this innovative program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we acknowledge with gratitude the advice and participation of the Honorable William Koch of the Tennessee Supreme Court and the Honorable Frank Clement, Jr., of the Court of Appeals in the Tennessee Intercollegiate Supreme Court and the Appellate Moot Court College Challenge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we encourage Tennessee colleges, public and private, to strongly consider participation in these worthy programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.